

WILLIAM HOWIE LINDSAY
AND MARGARET ELINOR
THOMAS LINDSAY

William Howie Lindsay was the eldest son of William and Mary Mair Lindsay, being born October 24, 1871, at Heber, Utah.

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When he was six years old they moved to a homestead three miles east of Heber, and in a log house the parents and four children had a very happy home.

Much time was spent grubbing sagebrush from the land and his job was to help gather and burn it and herd the cows.

His schooling was rather meager, because of the distance, the deep winter snows and the very bad roads in the spring. He did make enough progress that he attended Wasatch Academy at Heber. Enoch Jorgensen was the instructor.

When his brothers were old enough to help his father on the farm he went to Park City to work in the mines. He attended Church and sang in the choir. He renewed his acquaintance with Margaret Elinor Thomas, a friendship which began in Heber. She was the daughter of Joseph and Margaret Watson Thomas, and Nellie, as she was lovingly called, was the first baby born at Center on January 9, 1877. She had lost two brothers in their early life and when she was nine years old, she, four sisters and four brothers were left orphans, as their parents died two weeks apart of pneumonia. She went to live in a home at Heber and to go to school.

She caught some lice and the lady with whom she lived cut off her lovely red hair which had given her the name of "Carrot Top." When a young lady working for some friends in Park City, she had typhoid fever and lost all her hair, it came in a beautiful auburn shade to match her lovely soft brown eyes.

She and William H. Lindsay, James L. Lindsay and his sweetheart, Elizabeth Jones, all life-long friends, went to Salt Lake and were married by John R. Winder on July 31, 1895. On their return a lovely wedding reception was given in their honor at Pride's

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Hall at Center, a hot dinner and dancing in the evening.

Their first child, Martin S., was born in Park City. He saved money and the next year bought a farm at the foot of Lindsay Hill, near Heber. He began to buy sheep, knowing that it was a paying proposition. Their second son, Dawson, was born there, also Sarah Elizabeth and William Harold. They moved to Heber so the children would be near school. He was away with the sheep often, but he continued to buy sheep until he had a paying herd. It made work for him and his sons. He spent thousands of dollars buying land from the government for spring and fall range, and the family spent their summers at the ranch at Currant Creek to be near the sheep.

They were happy and proud to send Dawson on a two-year mission for the LDS Church. He loved to have his children and grandchildren with him. He was a successful business man. He was kind, considerate and wanted to be of service to his fellow men, always willing to help anyone in need and honest in his dealings. He was the father of 11 children. His health was quite good and even though prosperous, he still managed his own business and was very active until his death from a heart attack on June 27, 1939, at his home.

His good wife carried on. She was a fine manager and knew how to handle the business, with the help of her sons. Hers was a rich, full life, and she was always busy helping others when not doing for herself. Her family loved to come home to be with her, for she kept herself and others happy with her lovely handwork. She had been a Relief Society visiting teacher.

She died May 5, 1958, at Heber. 417